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Honorable Mark O. Hatfield  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

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Dear Senator Hatfield:

This is in regard to your letter of 4 June 1976, concerning the Agency's letter to the Senate leadership requesting confirmation of our expressed intention to resume destruction of Agency documents.

As you are undoubtedly aware, we have extended the moratorium to expire on 10 December 1976, as requested by the Senate leadership. Prior to the destruction of any records, we shall transmit to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence copies of the record schedules which are submitted to the National Archives and Record Service for their approval prior to the destruction of any records. The same will be done with respect to those routine administrative records which, although not involved under S. Res. 21, were withheld from routine destruction during the life of that Resolution.

My letter to the Senate leadership was only a preliminary step to destruction to determine if there is further congressional interest. I wish to make clear that it was never my intention to destroy any documents still subject to Justice Department investigation or relevant to litigation.

Your personal interest and concern are appreciated.

Sincerely,

George Bush

George Bush  
Director

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